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WHY COMPARISONS ARE ODIOUS

The Destroyer of Slavery and the Builder of Citizenship Not Rivals in Popular Esteem, but Natural Supplements—Sharps and Flats.

(By Our Special Staff Correspondent.)

The very general celebration this year of the birthday of Frederick Douglass by the colored people of the country is a hopeful sign.

It betokens a growth of race pride among us that cannot fail of fruitful results, and demonstrates that we are not lacking in the fine sense of gratitude that should possess us for the heroic labors that have made the name of Douglass immortal. Such fitting observances of the natal day of the race's foremost men mark the beginning of an era of confidence in our own might, and inculcate a saving respect for the phenomena record we have made since slavery ceased to be. When we set apart certain days in each year to hold up in reverent memory the consecrated lives of such benefactors as Douglass, Bruce, Langston, Price and Elliott we implant in in the breast of every right minded Negro an inspiration that will give courage to the faltering and strength to the heavy laden. These occasions mean much for the future of our people.

Comparisons are not necessarily odious, but sometimes in a rather misplaced zeal we make them so. In treating these memorial observances there is a constant and irritating tendency on the part of a few well meaning orators and writers to attempt to magnify the dead at the expense of the living. In apostrophizing the magnetic oratory of Frederick Douglass they go far afield in a thankless effort to institute comparisons and to draw sharp contrasts between the methods of the great emancipator, Douglass, and those of the great educator, Booker T. Washington. The fame of Douglass is secure. It is intrenched immovably in the hearts of ten millions of Negro Americans, and cannot be enhanced by the clap trap fulminations of demagogues. Yet, should these irrelevant out givings pass unrebuked, rank injustice might be done Mr. Washington. A misleading analysis of the differences in their methods might place the "Wizard of Tuskegee" in a false light, unless all of the circumstances surrounding them are faithfully broughtinto view. It is beside the point to picture Mr. Douglass and Mr. Washington as rivals in the arena of oratory or as competitors in the same field of statesmanship. There is no tangible basis for comparison. Each stands in a class alone—the labors of one supplement the energies of the other.

A very clever correspondent, by whose letter these remarks are drawn out, writes of the two men:

"When Mr. Washington speaks it is necessary to have perfect order, to the end that he may be enjoyed at his best; when Mr. Douglass spoke the audience could be as wild as the waves of the sea, and he would lull it into quiet by the magic of his words."

Let us admit that the differences are fairly stated, but it should also be added that the reasons for those differences are not wanting, and the explanation detracts not one iota of glory from either. It must be remembered that Mr. Douglass spoke in the midst of a national tempest, when the popular mind was torn with strife and dissension over the issues bound up in slavery He spoke with a fervor and passionate power that exactly fitted the turbulent times, and fought fire with fire as the war spirit demanded. His mission was to destroy an institution that kept his people from becoming freemen and citizens. His success lay by the way of the sword, the bayonet and the arbitrament of arms. He was at his best when the battle raged the fiercest. He succeeded by meeting the situation as it was with all the force of an aggressive, uncompromising leonine nature.

Mr. Washington comes on the scene under conditions diametrically opposite to those faced by Mr. Douglass, and he meets them in the light of a changed circumstances. The war is over. The institution against which Mr. Douglass hurled his philippics is no more, and erstwhile bondman is a citizen. Mr. Washington's mission is to weld this new timber firmly into the warp and woof of the body politic, and reduce friction to a minimum. He is to take the raw material rescued from the blaze of civil strife and to construct therewith a citizenry that shall redound to the physical strength, economic greatness, intellectual standing and moral worth of our common republib. This work is best accomplished in a period of profound peace. Mr. Washington's appeal then is to the calmer judgment. His efforts is to sober the once frenzied public mind and invoke a spirit of sweet reasonableness, tolerance and sympathetic co-operation upon broad lines. Just as the campaign of Mr. Douglass was one that must move the feelings by a whirlwind of forensic eloquence, and his oratory was in accord therewith. Mr. Washington's campaign is one of education—evolution by aid of the material resources and civic virtues—and his oratory is eminently fitted to such a task. Who shall say which is the greater orator when Mr. Douglass won his cause by sweeping the nation off its feet, and Mr. Washington is winning his persuading the republic to stand anew on higher and more substatial ground? The "Sage of Anacostia" performed the service ordained by God as none other could have done it. The "Wizard of Tuskegee" is building upon that sacred foundation a superstructure of self respecting, law abiding, intelligent and thrifty citizenship under divine guidance in the only logical and systematic way that such a work can hope for permanence and power.

Comparisons between Douglass and Washington are indeed odious, even at the hands of our best intentioned scribes and celebrationists.

President W. G. Frost, of Berea College, says he will not permit his school to be disrupted by the act of the Kentucky Legislature prohibiting the co-education of the races, and that he will consider a proposition looking to the removal of the college to a more liberal state. Mr. John Bryant, a wealthy farmer living near Yellow Springs, Ohio, has offered financial assistance in effecting a consolidation between Berea and Antioch College, located at Yellow Springs. The place is not far from Xenia. The matter is under advisement. Antioch was the first college in America to admit both sexes, and the first, except Oberlin, to admit all races on equal terms. The two schools have been working on the same principle, and a union might result happily for both. The colored people are anxious to have President Frost move the entire outfit of Berea away from Kentucky if the legislature finally passes the obnoxious bill.

Kentucky's enterprising colored people are not sleeping upon their educational opportunities. The excellent State Normal School at Frankfort, under Prof J. S Hathaway, is prospering more satisfactorily than ever, and State University, of Louisville, of which Dr. C. L. Purse is the official head, is having smooth sailing. Atkinson College at Madisonville is being gradually rebuilt after last year's disastrous fire, and the Hopkinsville M. and F. College has its banner enrollment this year. A school, however, that has made phenomenal progress in a comparatively short time, and of which we do not hear half as much as we should is the Eckstein Norton University, at Cane Spring, twenty nine miles South of Louisville. The location is quiet and healthy, and the school plant comprising a substantial brick main building of twenty five rooms and the dormitories and shops are spread upon a tract of seventy five acres of rich, rolling land. A lovely maple grove, a large orchard of choice fruit trees and a well stocked garden are a few of the attractions that appeal to the visitor within the institution's gates. The curriculum embraces both academic and industrial features, and because of the particular stress placed upon the latter by the very practical faculty, Eckstein Norton has come to be known as the Tuskegee of Kentucky. The principal is Rev. C. H. Parrish, a man of culture and thorough education, who keeps himself and all about him abreast of the times. He is being warmly supported by the best people of the state in his efforts to encourage the young Negroes of both sexes to equip themselves with a training that will guarantee a comfortable living. Dr Parrish is a self made man. He has a beautiful home in Louisville, and is also pastor of the Calvary Baptist Church of that place. He will be one of the eight delegates from Louisville who will sail from New York in a few days to attend the World's Sunday School Congress which meets at Jerusalem, in the Holy Land. The Normal and Industrial School established some time ago at Beattyville, Lee county, was recently incorporated, and a new equipment will be put in. Prof. W. H. Parker is its president and founder. Rev. W. H. McRidley is doing well with his college at Cadiz. The colored people give promise of making heavy inroads upon their illiteracy average within the fewest of years.

The suggestion of Prof. John R. E. Lee, of Tuskegee, that a National Colored Teacher's Association be formed is received with favor in every section of the country. The idea does not mean that the Negro teachers are to cut loose from the National Educational Association. Continued membership in that general body is to be encouraged, but the need of the distinctively race organization is felt because there are so many special conditions surrounding our people that call for discussion and treatment that could not properly or profitably be brought before the large gathering of mixed peoples. The home life of the Negro, how to lengthen the school terms in rural districts, how to provide a training that will best place our children in touch with the duties that they will be called upon to do. These are some of the problems that our teachers wish to "get together" and work out by contact and exchange of ideas. The leading educators in the South and many North and West have signified their sympathy with the movement, and a call for a meeting is being prepared, due notice of which will be given. Any step looking to the mental, moral and financial betterment of our teachers should be commended at all hands.

Jay Wesley Cromwell is no longer editor of the Washington Record. Proprietor Frank G. Manly believes in the efficacy of industrial education, and wants his paper to breathe the invigorating atmosphere of this modern age. He believes in Tuskegee Institute and her methods (a part of which he is) and he wants the Record to be a true reflex of his views. Mr. Cromwell preferred to live in the days of the ark, and could not adjust his old time dogmas to the generous creed of the 20th century; so Mr. Manly was compelled, as a business measure, to dispense with the services of the gentleman with the high sounding English names and reminiscent proclivities. In this very proper course Mr. Manly is sustained by the considerate judgment of Washington City's up-to-date people. The new editor, Mr. H. P. Slaughter, is a young man of experience, both as a writer and skilled artisan and we expect in the future, from his hands, a metropolitan journal that will, in sound editorial tone and sparkling news features, set a a swift pace for its older contemporaries.

The hard fought Whayne case in Louisville, involving a large amount of life insurance money, has brought to the surface a young colored artist in plaster, whose work is rated as exceptionally fine. His name is Issac Hathaway, of Lexington, Ky., and the mold which he executed so satisfactorily was the counterpart of a couple of hundred square feet of ground on which the late R. C. Whayne shot himself and breathed his last. The plaster is the color of the ground, naturaliness being given to the whole by showing the dried and withered grass, and a tree and wire fence are included in the imitation landscape. The mold was made for the defendant insurance companies to disprove a contention that the shooting of Mr. Whayne by himself was accidental, and they paid Mr. Hathaway $1,000 for the difficult work. Mr. Hathaway is a graduate of the Chandler Normal School, Lexington, and spent two years in the art department of the New England Conservatory Music in Boston, following it up with two years at the Cincinnati Art Academy. He makes a specialty of plaster casts of skeletons and organs of the human anatomy for use in colleges, and has sold unique specimens to the Smithsonian Institute at Washington. He prepared the death mask of Gen. Cassius M. Clay, the eccentric "Sage of Whitehall" and intense abolitionist. He has performed a similar duty in connection with the late Dr. John Mitchell, of Wilberforce, R. C. O. Benjamin and others. The country will hear more of Mr. Hathaway's artistic genius.

Bethel Literary and Historical Association of Washington, D. C., at one time the pride of the intellectual Nation's Capital, has been coming in for much criticism of late because of the constant bickering and petty personalities that have been permitted to go on under its recent management. Mr. G. W Jackson, an Indiana man, is president but he is reduced to a mere figure-head since the narrow ruling of the pig headed committee on program was set in motion. The broad plane inaugurated by Bishop Payne has apparently been abandoned, and the platform is graced by only those who pass muster with this motley few. If they dislike a proposed speaker the courtesies of the Society are denied him. The New York Age calls for a greatly needed reform in the existing methods at Bethel, and it may be that the attention of Bishop Lee will be called to the condition of things. In view of the fact that so many windy "orators" who do frequent "stunts" there take such a savage delight in condemning certain prominent Southern race leaders for alleged lack of manhood, the Age very pertinently points out the jim crow cars that run into Washington, and the discriminations practiced at the theatres, hotels and in the restaurants, and asks why Jay Wesley Cromwell, L. M. Hershaw, John P. Green or some other members of Bethel's "stock company" do not exhibit their alleged manhood by invoking the civil rights law in force on federal soil. What Bethel needs is to return to the dignified policies exemplified by Presidents Arnold, Clark, Richards, Miller and Cardozo, and deal in matters of practical benefit, rather than in personal villification of useful men of the race.

SHARPS AND FLATS.

The law cares for the vigilant—not for those who sleep upon their rights.

It may be in order for Editors W. D. Johnson and D. R. Wilkins to choose their weapons.

Get in touch with the march of improvements in your community. Have some public spirit.

The A. M. E. Bishops appear to be a unit against the election of any additional members of the "bench" this year.

"Canned editorials" is the latest journalistic dainty the craft is charging up to the District of Columbia colored newspapers.

It seems strange that the name of George W. Chivis has not made its appearance in any of the dispatches from the Russo-Japanese war.

The Chicago Conservator is indulging in its regular weekly exercise of putting up a man of straw and proceeding industriously to knox it down.

It is presumed that Dr. Horace Bumstead doesn't read the writings of his employee, Dr. Du Bois, or, perhaps he doesn't give a kitty what Du Bois thinks he thinks.

Editor Fortune has dubbed the disgruntled fellows "The Negro Association of Windjammers and Knockers," and named Dr. Willheleatem Burchard Du Bois as presiding officer.

We are glad to say that the Indiana minister whose dying request was that he be stood up in the pulpit in his coffin during the funeral services was not a colored man.

Private Secretary Emmett J. Scott is to stand sponsor for a new book, giving an official statement of the work of Tuskegee. No man is more capable of writing or compiling a vivid and accurate description of this many sided institution than the painstaking Mr. Scott.

Brother Adams, the "press gang" is getting hungry for a sure-enough press convention at St Louis in September. The paramount issues, aside from incorruptible principles are how to get out a creditable paper, and, finally, how to get the subscription paid in. Settle these riddles and the business will be a sinecure.

Prof. Lewis has placed your correspondent under a mountain of obligations for the big bequet handed out last week in the "Pencilings" We are duly gratified for kind words, even we find difficulty in recognizing our personality from the lurid description given. Only don't convey the impression that we got tired of work at Tuskegee. There is work there and plenty of it, but softened by Dr. B. T. W.'s elixir of good cheer, it becomes as refreshing and exhilrating as a goblet from the "old oaken bucket." No like period in our life was more pleasantly or more profitably spent our six months of systematic, self fortifying and practical busines experience at "Tuskegee, the fair."

R. W. THOMPSON.

Roosevelt His Choice.

Editor of The Freeman:—My attention has been called to an editorial article in your issue of the 6th inst, bearing the caption, "Tis Strange—Passing Strange." An article identical in substance and very similar in wording appeared in the Colored American of the 13th inst The article last referred to contains this sentence: "It appears rather strange that Mr. L M. Hershaw a department clerk employed here, should be interested in contributing constantly to Anti-Roosevelt Negro newspapers." Therefore I assume that your article of the 6th refers to me though not by name. I crave space in your columns to reply to that article. The impression evidently sought to be conveyed is, that I am hostile to the nomination of President Roosevelt, and that I am using my pen in that cause. I wish to say as directly, clearly, unequivocally, unreservedly and emphatically as language at my command will permit me, that such is not the fact I have never publicly, or privately, orally or in writing, nor in any other way imaginable manifested any hostility to President Roosevelt. His stand for justice, civil equality and fair play makes it utterly impossible that I should harber the least sentiment of opposition or hostility to his administration or nomination to the presidency, even in my secret thoughts. I have been, and am now a Republican, without variableness or shadow of turning. I have voted the Republican ticket, contributed cheerfully, willingly and without solicitation to Republican campaign funds, and made speeches for that party, always paying my own expenses.

There are questions, however, in no way connected with the policy of the Republican party and the administration of the government, about which I have honest, fixed and conscientious convictions, and on these questions I have expressed my convictions orally and in writing, publicly and privately; and I have neither apology nor explanation to offer for having done so. As to such questions I carry my sovereignty beneath my hat, and shall continue to do so while liberty endures and speech is free.

L. M. HERSHAW.

Washington, D. C.

Honor to a Negro.

A special from Portsmouth of recent date says:

For the first time in the history of the city of a white edifice for the reception of white worshipers were thrown open to colored mourners, when William Elliott, 90 years old, and for the last forty-nine years janitor of the Court Street Baptst Church was conducted by the Rev. J. M Armistead, colored, in the church auditorium, which was filled to its utter capacity with relatives and friends of Eliott The balcony overlooking the auditorium was also filled to its capacity with the members of the Court street congregation. The Revs R. B. Garrett, paster of the church, A. E Owen, pastor of South Street Baptist Church, and W. P. Hines, pastor of Park View Baptist church, delivered touching eulogies of the dead janitor. The chair near the chancel occupied during every service in the old and new Court Street Church for the past forty-nine years by Elliott, was draped handsomely by the ladies of the congregation. The deacons of the Court Street Baptist Church acted as honorary pallbearers" Rev. J. M. Armistead D D. of Portsmouth Va, is one of the foremost divines of his Race. He is a gentleman of deep learning and of great force of character.

WANDERER

Muncie Happenings.

Muncie, Ind., Special—The stewardesses of A. M. E. church entertained at the home of Mr. and Mrs David Peal in West Charles street, Monday afternoon and evening. The "Guarding Angel," a cantata, was given at the Second Baptist church Tuesday evening was well attended Mrs James and daughter, Mrs. Harvey Phillips, are seriously ill at the home of the former Mrs Levina Rollins is confined to her bed with lumbago at her home in South Plum street, but is somewhat improved at this time. The Juvenile Missionary Society rendered a short program Sunday evening. The attendance was small owing to the very disagreeable weather. Mrs Branson Cottman has her sister from Portland, Ind, visiting her. Mrs Slaughter of Indianapolis was in this city a few days last week.

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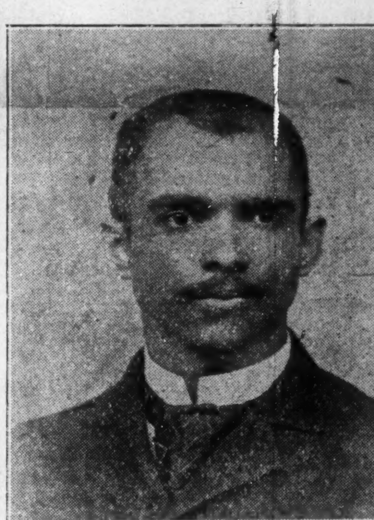

PROF. W. S. ETHERIDGE,
Principal Bertie Academy, Windsor, N. C.

An industrial department will be established as soon as help is received. This school inculcates moral and religious training as a special feature. By financial aid this institution could be made one of the leading institutions in Eastern North Carolina. The colored people of the county are deeply interested in education, moral as well as mental.

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If you would win the day
And put the foe to flight;
Do not lose hope, my friend,
Wielding the sword of right;
Be sure to keep thine heart.

The Negro who has something to show for his claim to leadership should have the floor and be heard, all others should be seated.

Black Patti sang here this week and charmed all present with her wonderful gift as a singer. Long live Black Patti, the enchanting warbler of the race.

YOU STRUGGLE ON.

Fighting the battles of life
In this world of bitter strife,
Where base deception is rife.
Fame to be won.

Don't give up the fight and pine;
All your energy combine;
Forge ahead on a bee-line,
And struggle on!

Meeting with opposition,
Show no weak disposition
To take the right position
To stand upon.

Battles are won, not given,
Only by those who have striven,
However tossed and driven,
They rtruggled on!

To give to charity is one thing, and to go and administer it is quite another.

Any hypocrite can talk about being a christian but it takes a true christian to live the life he or she professes.

Prof. B. T. Washington is quoted as saying: "I have very little faith in any man's religion who hasn't a bank account"

GIVE US TIME.

All things have their seasons,
If you will give them time
They'll blossom and they'll ripen
In almost any clime.

All things must be cultured
And given time to grow;
Under good conditions,
When the seed you sow.

Then give us time to grow,
Nourished by seasons good
The race will rise and stand
Where other races stood.

The real heroes of the race are those who are fighting life's hard battles and depending entirely upon their own poor, ignorant and superstitious race for support.

If the Negro was the top dog in life's fight do you think that he could teach the white man a moral lesson in patience, forbearance and charity towards others?

HIT THE LINE HARD

In this life of struggle,
If you would win reward,
You center all your strengh:
Hit the line hard!

Enter the fight with might;
To duty, have regard;
Contending with the foe:
Hit the line hard!

Meeting with obstacles,
That would your way retard;
Summon all your strength, friend:
Hit the line hard!

The colored men in the employ of the Peru Steel Casting Company organized themselves into a club last Thursday night, under the name of the Douglass Club. The object of the club is social, intellectual and political culture.

Rev. R. A. Pond, of the First A. M. E. Church, has begun a revival and Rev. Edwards is assisting him.

The writer visited Kokomo, Ind., last Sunday and preached to the Baptist Church of that city.

The death of Senator Hanna, of Ohio, was a great shock to the people here as well as to the nation.

Peru, Ind. B. T HARVEY

A BEVERAGE PAR EXCELLENCE.

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We rise again to remark that the colored waiters has lost out in Chicago, and as a result the Chicago boys are leaving for other cities.

Arthur Cottman, a waiter employed at the Ilsworth Hotel, Atlantic City, N. J., died very suddenly in that city recently.

Grows Hair on Bald Spot.

Joseph J. Wheeler, 14 Simpson Street, Dayton, O., writes January 13th, 1904 the following: I am using the Original Ozonized Ox Marrow and find it is a superior pomade. It started a new growth of hair on a bald spot and I am sure it will do all that is claimed for it The Original Ozonized Ox Marrow also straightens kinky hair, cures dandruff and imparts to the hair a healthy life like appearance so much desired Send us 50 cents and we will ship you one bottle express paid. Address Ozonized Ox Marrow Co., 76 Wabash Avenue, Chicago, Illinois.

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I, for one, as one in the midst. My heart ached from the cruel treatment of my husband and the way he would throw away his time and money until I consulted this wonderful lady. It will soon be a year. Through her he has become a loving husband; and today he presents me with a lovely lot on which he will in the spring erect a home. Tongue can't praise her too highly.

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Chicago, Ill., Nov. 17, 1902.

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F. J.

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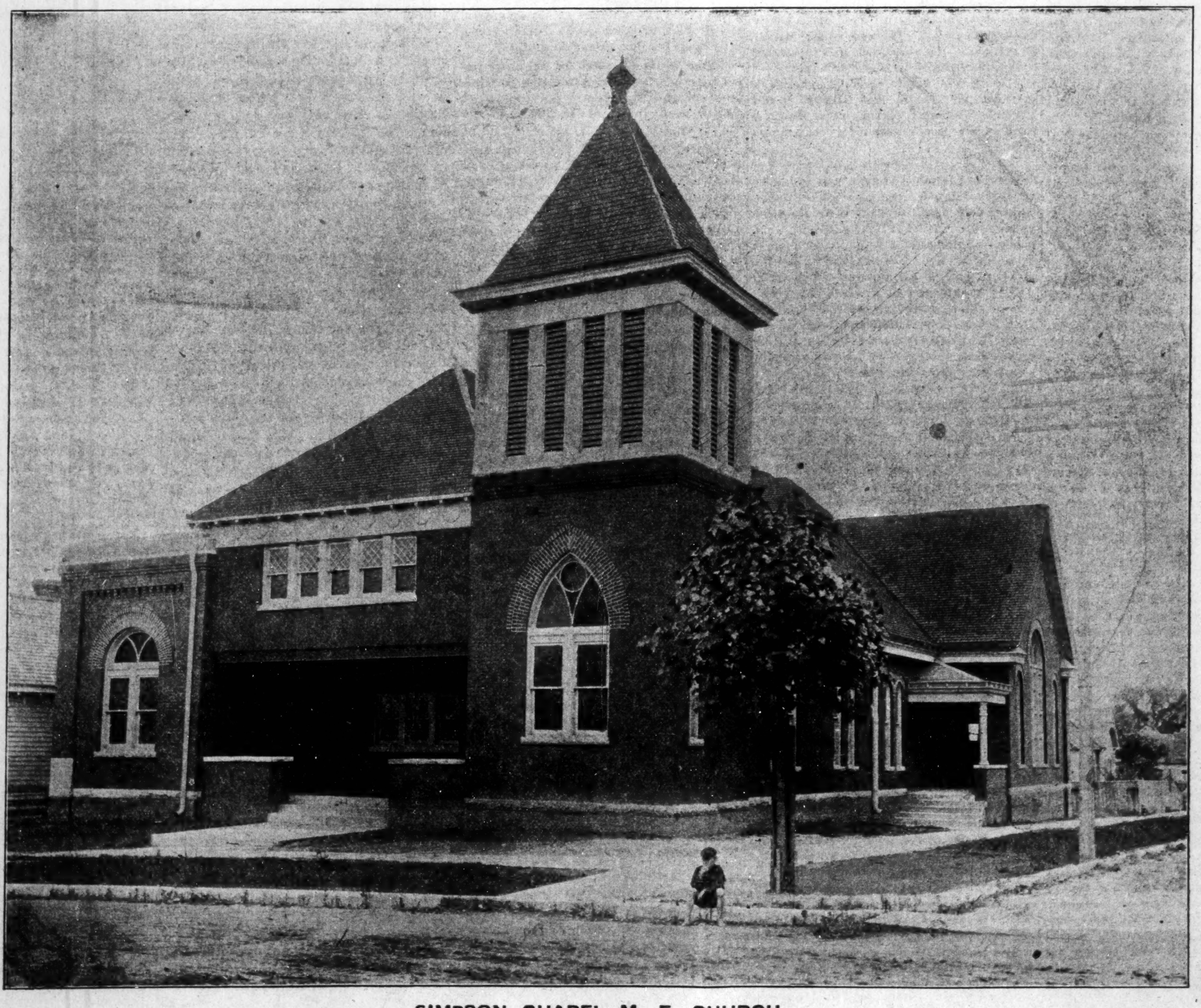

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DIVORCE LEGAL.

Edward E. Ehrich vs Fannie Ehrich

State of Indiana, Marion Co. ss:
in the
Circuit Court of Marion Co.,
In the State of Indiana.
No. 13129
Complaint Divorce,

BE IT KNOWN, That on the 12th day of Feb. 1904, the above named plaintiff, by his attorneys, filed in the office of the Clerk of the circuit court of Marion county, in the state of Indiana, his complaint against the above named defendant Fannie Ehrich and the said plaintiff having also filed in said Clerk's office the affidavit of a competent person, showing that said defendant, Fannie Ehrich is not a resident of the state of Indiana and said cause is for divorce and that the above named defendant is a necessary party thereto and whereas said plaintiff having by endorsement on said complaint required said defendant to appear in said court, and answer or demur thereto on the 16th day of April, 1904.

NOW, THEREFORE, By order of said Court said defendant last above named is hereby notified of the filing and pendency of said complaint against her and that unless she appear and answer or demur thereto, at the calling of said cause on the 16th day of April, 1904. the same being the 3rd judicial day of a term of said Court, to be begun and held at the court house in the city of Indianapolis, on the 1st Monday in April, 1904, said complaint and the matters and things therein contained and alleged, will be heard and determined in her absence.

WM. E. DAVIS, Clerk.

A. H. DICKEY, Attorney for Plaintiff, 44 N. Delaware street.

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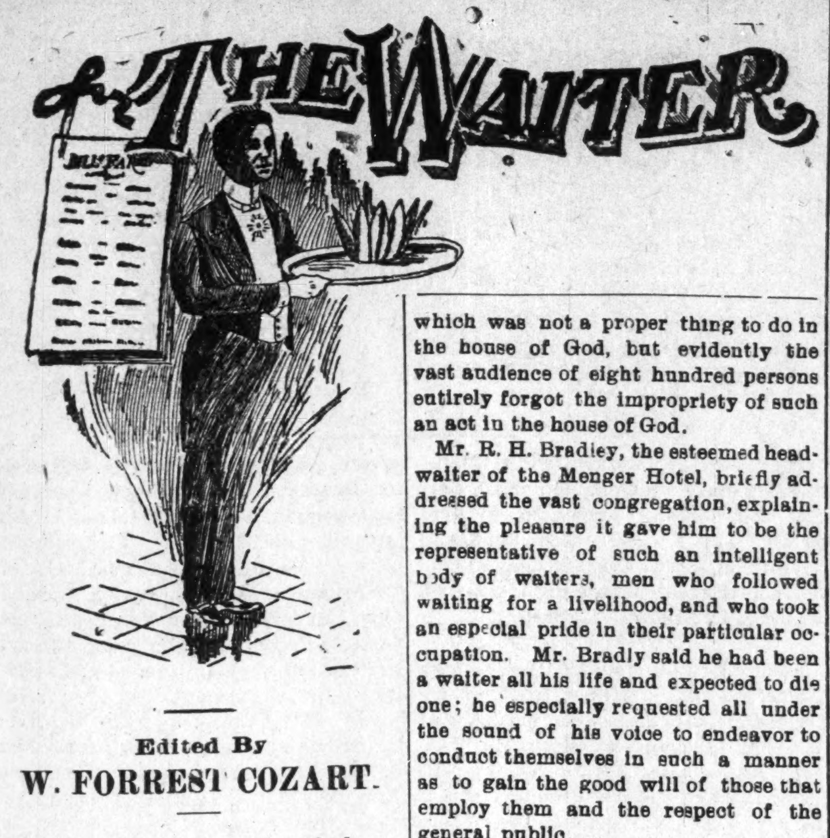

Edited By

W. FORREST COZART.

An Annual Sermon Preached,

The waiters of this city have been looking forward with happy expectations for the arrival of February 21st. Due preparation has been under way, which reached a climax last night at St. Paul M. E. church. The entire crew of the Menger Hotel, fifty-six strong, turned out en mass to hear the Rev. Harry Swan preach their annual sermon. At 8:45 p. m. fifty-six men, the crew now employed at the Menger Hotel lined up in front of the hotel. Each man wore a full dress suit with black tie and a beautiful button-hole bouquet. They march by twos out Commerce street to Chestnut; to Center; to St. Paul M. E. church, where they arrived, led by Mr. H. H. Johnson, the third waiter, at 9 p. m. The quartette of the hotel men led the procession in the church, where separate seats were provided for the hotel waiters. When all were seated the quartette led by Mr. Stephen Young, assisted by J. E. Williams, Dennis Allen and J. E. Scott, rendered a touching song, "The Holy City." This song was sang to perfection, and the whole audience applauded, which was not a proper thing to do in the house of God, but evidently the vast audience of eight hundred persons entirely forgot the impropriety of such an act in the house of God.

Mr. R. H. Bradley, the esteemed headwaiter of the Menger Hotel, briefly addressed the vast congregation, explaining the pleasure it gave him to be the representative of such an intelligent body of waiters, men who followed waiting for a livelihood, and who took an especial pride in their particular occupation. Mr. Bradly said he had been a waiter all his life and expected to die one; he especially requested all under the sound of his voice to endeavor to conduct themselves in such a manner as to gain the good will of those that employ them and the respect of the general public.

The congregation seemed to be almost spell-bound by the magnificent appearance of the waiters of San Antonio.

At 9:20 p. m. Mr. Peter Andrews, the headwaiter of the Hot Sulphur Wells Hotel, arrived with his entire crew of eighteen men, who wore full dress suits, but were minus the boquets. The number was brought up to seventy uniformed waiters, and a better dressed, cleaner, intelligent looking body of men no one ever had the satisfaction of looking upon than this representative body of colored waiters of San Antonio.

At 9:30 p. m. the Rev. Harry Swan commenced his discourse. His text was the epistle of Paul to Titus, 2: 11, "For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men." Owing to the lateness of the hour the sermon was brief, but very instructive. The pastor pleaded with the young men to seek Jesus Christ early—"now," he said, "is the accepted time, because delay was dangerous." He advised them to take Christ Jesus with them in their daily lives, and if they keep His company they would be acquainted with Him, and He would receive them in His heavenly mansion not built with hands at the final ending. Each and every one felt greatly benefitted and instructed by the sermon.

Dr. G. J. Stames offered up a fervent prayer that certainly touched the hearts of many.

On Sunday, Feb. 28th, an effort is going to be made to organize a young men's Christian Association. Such an organization is badly needed here to teach our young men that all virtues are gainful and thrifty, and all vices are harmful and degradidg.

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Any one who wishes to read the statistics of these collosal enterprises may familiarize themselves with the facts that they are all financial failures, and none have justified expectation in attendance or otherwise.

As previously warned through the columns of The Freeman the colored waiters will do very wise to steer clear of this city until September. They can make any and all the summer resorts, and probably make good seasons before coming to St. Louis, and then arrive here in good time to "clean up" as far as money goes.

The hotels now employing colored waiters pay on an average the best salaries of any hotels in the country, but an influx of waiters here early in the season might have the effect of demoralizing wages for the period of the fair.

A. B. CARTER

For the Accommodation of Colored People.

The "Waldorf," 424 S. State street, a handsomely furnished room apartments for the accommodation of colored people will throw open its doors for the reception of guests at Salt Lake City, Utah, March 15th. The building and location is a fine one, built especially for the purpose. It has electric lights, messenger call, telephone and bath in connection. The Waiters' Social Club will have its fine club quarters at the Waldorf, which is booked to open April 15th. The library in the Club will consist of books pertaining to dining room work also the Hotel World, Hotel Life, The Freeman, the Hotel Monthly and the San Francisco Wine Gazette will be the papers on the table. Thos. H. Frame of the Knutsford is the proprietor of the "Waldorf." The Waiters' Social Club is run by the colored waiters of the city.

A Brilliant Affair.

Local Association No. 1 of the Head, Second and Sidewaiters Association of New York City gave their first reception and dinner at the Hotel Marshall in that city on Tuesday evening, Feb. 23, 1904. The officers are;

J. A. Brooks, president.
C. LaMar, vice-president.
R. Brooks, secretary.
Geo. A. Truman, financial secretary.
A. N. Dempsey, treasurer.

The entertainment committee consisted of Mr. C. C. Randolph, chairman, G. A. Truman and D. P. Slater.

The reception was a brilliant affair and quite a success and every one enjoyed themselves.

Mr. Randolph, who was chairman of the entertainment committee, is the well-known headwaiter at the Sherman Square Hotel, is also a member of the National Board of Managers of the Headwaiters Association.

Mr. J. A. Brooks is the affable headwaiter at the Sumerset Hotel. Mr. Brooks is a good singer, and was a member of Fred Loudin's Jubilee Singers some years ago when they made their famous tour through the United States and foreign countries.

Mr. Dempsey is in charge of the Hotel Marguarette and is also well known in Atlantic City, N. J.

The following menu was served:

Cocktails, Grape Fruit, Soup,
Creme de Tomatto, Poison,
Sauman Grille Sauce d'oeuf,
Vin Rouge, Pommes, Duchess,
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REMINISCENCES OF AN EX-HEADWAITER.

BY W. F. COZART.

CATCHING A WELCH RAREBIT.

While engaged in a restaurant some years ago, I employed a young man one day, who represented himself as a waiter. Soon after he went to work he was asked by some one of the other waiters if he knew what a Welch rarebit was. "Oh, yes," he replied, "I shot many of them when I lived in the country." That settled it. Pretty soon the word had gone around from waiter to waiter that the new man was a "greenhorn" and would have to be initiated.

In those days a waiter who so wilfully displayed his ignorance, stood no more show among a crew of waiters than he would among a band of wild Indians.

Our young friend was at once nicknamed "Rabbit," and by this time the waiters had got their heads together and perfected a plan of initiation for "Rabbit."

It so happened that there was an old cellar beneath the restaurant kitchen which had not been in use for years only as a repository for old tin cans, empty barrels and other rubbish. It was also inhabited by a number of old rats and often frequented by a stray cat (one of that number that usually made the nights hideous in the dark alley just behind the restaurant).

One of the waiters arranged with one of the guests to come in and order a Welch rarebit from our friend "Rabbit," which he did, but upon going to the kitchen and giving his order he was informed by the cook that he (the waiter) would have to go down in the cellar and catch a rabbit. Just at this juncture one of the other waiters volunteered to show the new waiter where the cellar was, and also cautioned him to be careful and not let the Welch rarebit get away, that while he might be hard to catch, he, the waiter, must not give up until he caught the "rabbit."

Having received the necessary information, the new waiter was led away to the cellar, looking as innocent as a lamb while the waiters and cooks almost went into hysterics. The waiter was led into the dark cellar armed with a lantern and the door closed behind him.

Half an hour later when the door was opened the waiter emerged from the cellar nearly out of breath, caused by a hard chase after the stray cat over barrels and tin cans. His pantaloons had been torn into threads, his legs and his hands had been cut on cans and scratched by the cat and were bleeding profusely. Of course every one sympathized with the poor fellow.

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G. L. Lang, Colonial Hotel Cleveland, O.
W. A. Locke, Halliday House, Cairo, Ill.
F. C. Long, Windermere, Chicago, Ill.
J. T. Gilbert, Hotel Anderson, Pittsburg, Pa.
R. S. Kittrell, Windsor Hotel, Denver Colorado.

A hotel building boom has struck Charleston, W. Va., and as a result two new hotels have been built and will soon open for business. They are the Kanawha Hotel, a seven story structure and the Boyce. Both of the above hotels will open in April. The Kanawha will run white help. The old reliable Hotel Ruffner at Charleston will continue to be the leading hotel of the city. The waiters at the Ruffner will be paid $25 per month. The Ruffner has an excellent headwaiter in the person of Mr. F. S. Brown, who received his training at the well-known Cadillac Hotel, Detroit, Mich. Mr. Brown was also headwaiter at the Battle House, Mobile, Ala., for a long while. Mr. Brown recently contributed a very interesting article to the Hotel World on the possibility of establishing a waiter's school at Tuskegee.

W. Alonzo Locke, headwaiter at the Halliday House, Cairo, Ill., has recently returned from Tuskegee, where he attended the agriculture and teachers' meeting. Mr. Locke had the pleasure of meeting Dr. Booker T. Washington and describes him as a great man, who has wrought wonders. Mr. Locke says "Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute is a great institution, and cannot be fully comprehended until seen. There are 1400 students who are industrially preparing for the solution of the race problem."

Among the many young headwaiters who are making a great success may be mentioned George Lang, headwaiter at the Colonial Hotel, Cleveland, O. Mr. Lang was acting as second and succeeded Mr. F. C. Long at the Colonial in 1900, and has been very successful as a young headwaiter.

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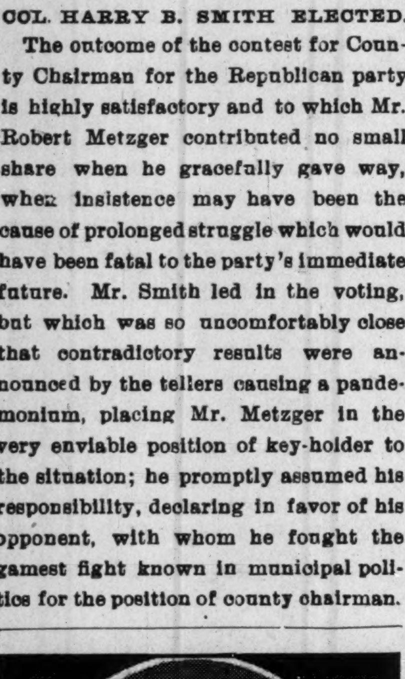
NOTICE.

We desire to say that Grant S. Neal formerly connected with The Freeman as solicitor, is no longer serving in that capacity. Obligations contracted by him will not be honored by us.

COL. HARRY B. SMITH ELECTED.

The outcome of the contest for County Chairman for the Republican party is highly satisfactory and to which Mr. Robert Metzger contributed no small share when he gracefully gave way, when insistence may have been the cause of prolonged struggle which would have been fatal to the party's immediate future. Mr. Smith led in the voting, but which was so uncomfortably close that contradictory results were announced by the tellers causing a pandemonium, placing Mr. Metzger in the very enviable position of key-holder to the situation; he promptly assumed his responsibility, declaring in favor of his opponent, with whom he fought the gamest fight known in municipal politics for the position of county chairman.



COL HARRY B. SMITH

It may be believed that Mr. Metzger, politician as he is, regular and partisan as he is, saw that the hope of Marion county Republicans in the forthcoming election was wrapped up in the conflict then on. Sacrifice to the party's good was incumbent on some one. Not only Marion county, but the State was in jeopardy, a United States Senator was in jeopardy, the distinguished Beveridge was in jeopardy above that brought about by Democratic opposition, but through defection right in the Republican household. The State of Indiana are all eyes open as to Indianapolis—as Indianapolis goes so goes the State has more sense than sound. To beat the Democrats, who now control the city, and with evident satisfaction, will be a job sufficient for the Republicans

The little community of Humphrey, Ark., is in a ferment over its postmaster whose appointment did not meet the approbation of the white people, and who showed their displeasure by dynamiting the building. The government should ferret out those capable of doing such a trick and teach them a wholesome lesson; and it should also be careful about making appointments that are so expensive. The people are the government; if they are right the government is right and not before.

Mr. Allen C. Simms, who has been connected with the treasurer's office for several years, has resigned to accept a position with Mr. Cyrus Clark of the Auditor's office. Mr. Simms is an efficient clerk, and we are glad to see him successfully placed.

You can't always sometimes tell about men. Governor Vardaman of Mississippi, last Sunday, put himself at the head of the State's troops and went to Batesville for the sole purpose of saving a colored man from lynching. The governor, it will be remembered, came in for a good sound scoring from the colored press owing to his inauguration remarks, but to-day, doubtless, it will say, "behold the man!" Apologies are certainly due the governor, and we tender ours now for trying to make out a case against him as careless of the rights of black men. Whatever he has said or done this one act is the guarantee of that regard due from governor to citizen—the law's protection. Whatever his private opinions may be, are of but little moment when 'tis known that thrice ten thousand more are of the same opinion. We want protection against armed mobs; that given, the other problems can be worked out Education may be made inconvenient among a free and industrious people, but it cannot be prohibited; mob terror is the evil which should be put under foot; it murders the individual and the race. With great regards.

The Jackson W. Giles case has been dismissed by the Supreme Court for want of jurisdiction. The chances are that "there was plenty jurisdiction," likewise plenty trouble ahead. The Supreme Court took the shortest cut for relief it may be presumed from a mountain of difficulty. It doubtless considers itself fortunate in having the time honored subterfuge "no jurisdiction" to fall behind. Nor is the remark as sarcastic as it appears. It is fortunate under the circumstances of to-day. Shortsighted individuals, colored men, will belabor the court, talking of rights and wrongs at any price; long sighted, but designing and deceiving white men will talk of the colossal wrongs, theoretically, and at the same time side with the Supreme Court and not without reason. Suppose the court had decided that disfranchising acts of Southern States were unconstitutional what would have been the next step? then the next? and the next?

A home for the aged and infirm among the colored people is being urged and none too soon. A meeting was held this week when a number of people, representatives of lodges, met for the purpose of perfecting an organization with the end in view. Among those present were Dr. S. A. Furniss, Messrs. Ernest McAfee, W. E. Moore, C. M. C Willis, Thomas Smith, Mesdames Alice Grysell, Theresa Finley, Hettie Williams, Mary J. Scott, Frances McAfee and Mr. Walter Jamison, who presided.

The Rev. D. A. Graham was in the city for a few days this week; he is now stationed at New Orleans, where he has gained the respect and confidence of the whites in his effort to raise the school standard of New Orleans for colored children, which is limited to the fifth grade. Rev. Graham is a candidate for the general secretaryship of the Christian Endeavor Work of the A. M. E. church.

Dr. L. G. Jordan of Louisville, Ky., general secretary of the National Baptist Foreign Mission Board, will sail for South Africa on the 16th to overlook the work. Rev. Dr. C. H. Parrish, also of Louisville, Ky., president of Eckstein Norton, will leave for the Holy Land on the 8th to attend the World's Sabbath School Convention, which will be held in Jerusalem.

All things seem to be working for the good of the National Negro Business Men's League, which meets in this city in convention about the last of August. Mr. H. L Sanders, president of the local league, is doing what he can to sustain the executive officers in their efforts to make a great showing for the visitors who will be with us.

A home for aged ex slaves of Indianapolis would not be out of the way. Nine out of ten of the aged class were slaves. General support, State support or Government support could be solicited with some hope of success. The class is the most deserving in all the world—they had no chance.

The State Republican Committee of New York stands pledged to nominate and elect Roosevelt; it expects to deliver the goods.

RACE GLEANINGS.

The colored people of Nashville, Tenn., recently opened a bank, and on the first day the deposits amounted to over $6,000. The Wage-Earners Loan and Investment Company of Savannah, Ga., is another colored banking institution which is said to be doing well.

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Bishop L. J. Coppin of the African Episcopal church of South Africa, delivered an address to the students of the Agricultural and Mechanical College at Normal, Ala., recently. The bishop told of the condition of our race in Africa and said that the chances of advancement allowed the Negro in that country are no better than found in the South. He said that there is no adultry among the people, but polygamy is practiced to a great extent. "We have no jails to support," he said. "When a man is convicted of crime he is taxed, and if he fails to pay is beheaded. The same conditions exist there in reference to race prejudice as here, but the Negroes in America have really more freedom than in Cape Town. The Negro who can succeed here can succeed in South Africa."

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Negro industrial education and its bearings on the race problem was discussed at a meeting of the Hampton Institute held in New York by Andrew Carnegie, President Elliot of Harvard, Booker T. Washington of Tuskegee Institute and Principal Frizzell of Hampton Institute. Mr. Carnegie presided. Ex-President Grover Cleveland sent a letter in which he said: "I am so completely convinced of the importance of the cause, as it is related to the solution of a problem no patriotic citizen should neglect, that I look upon every attempt to stimulate popular interest and activity in its behalf as a duty of citizenship." Mr. Carnegie said in part: "There never was, so far as I know, an intelligent, worthy, kindly Northern man, who settled in the South and became conversant with its conditions, who did not deeply sympathize with his sorely tried brethren of the South, and see that only through cordial co-operation with them is the needed work of raising the Negro to be successfully accomplished." Booker T. Washington, speaking of the problem from a moral and religious point of view, said: "Not a single graduate of the Hampton Institute or the Tuskegee Institute can be found to-day in any jail or State penitentiary. The records of the South show that 90 per cent. of the colored people in prisons are without knowledge of trades, and 61 per cent. are illiterate. It is not the educated Negro who has been guilty of, or even charged with crime in the South; it is, as a rule, the one who has a mere smattering of education, or who is in total ignorance."

Register up one for Vardaman; after all more is to be expected of plain outspoken men than these half-hearted pests. We up here in the North rave about the South and don't know a thing about it We know this only to a certainty; that there is much prejudice; but we do not know this for a certainty; what brings it about.

"Prophet" Elijah Dowie has been having the experience of his life in Australia. For some unaccountable reason the people there do not take to his doctrines; he has sought safety in flight several times since his advent among the Kangaroos.

A Negro lad and an Indian lass of Raleigh, N. C., escaped the purlieus of the law of that State which forbids marriages between the whites and Indians and Negroes and the white people; they are now enjoying wedded bliss.

From all indications the ticket will be Roosevelt and Fairbanks. Politically speaking, its almost too good to be true. Of course the situation doesn't need such heavy timber, but why not do things as well as you know how?

No sir; we didn't straddle a little bit in the chairmanship contest. We opposed the idea of ringing in the race over personal matters and obsolete issues. We've seen the good (?) of that business. Now run away and sit down.

The "Smart Set," one of the foremost Negro shows, took the city this week. Indiana avenue was on its best behavior; it can behave when it wants to. It was an excellent show—house crowded from "pit to dome."

The divine Patti has been with us for the last time, once more. On her heels tread Henry Irving, thus are we surfeited with good things—that is those that can reach them. For some, they may as well be in Europe.

State Superintendent of Public Instruction Fassett A. Cotton for Indiana was recently a guest at Booker T. Washington's school and expresses himself as greatly pleased with what he saw there.

The pitable condition in which Nancy Davis of Jackson Park was found is more evidence in favor of a home for aged and infirm colored people.

The vaudeville among the society folk was quite a departure at Flanner Guild, also quite a success

Will the Democrats resuscitate Grover Cleveland? It looks as if they've got it to do.

Dr. W. D. Crum has been selected as a delegate to the Republican National Convention.

Humphrey, Ark., has a peculiar way of showing its love for the colored people.

PENCILINGS.

By W. Milton Lewis, Indianapolis, Ind.

A SONG IN MANY KEYS

Nay, sweet comforter, stay,
My barque of the abysnal years;
Fetterless of the darkling way;
Bear me still burden as of yesterday;
Staunch still my tears and fears.

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If in your barque you'd sail away,
Leaving me distraught on the lea,
I'd build me a barque on some June day,
And I would hie away to sea.

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Rememberest thou the history
Of those Moabs dear in sorrow bound,
Ruth, Naomi, Orpah, the godly three?
Orpah, fainting heart, fled the trinity,
And two alone did beat the weary round

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Where thou goest I will go;
The hymn—my prayer, ma chere;
The deep, deep plumbings of a heart of woe,
That wells forth in an overflow—
Affection's fount is 'stablished there.

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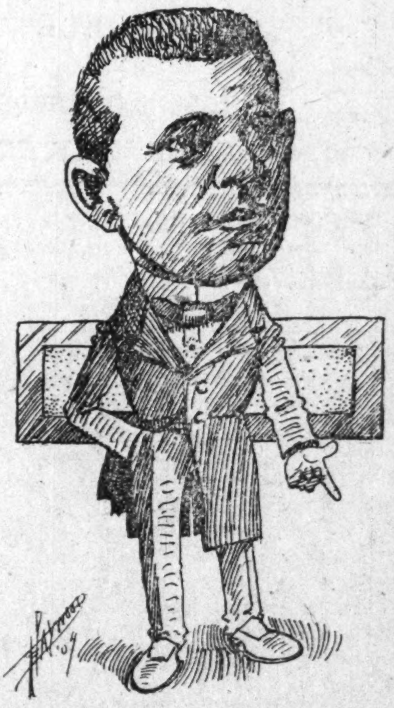
Prof. Booker T. Washington is one of those whom we always have with us in spirit, if not otherwise, so what may be said of him will be scarcely more than a rehash. A valet to Washington, perhaps, could give out some valuable information provided he proved no exception to the rule, that no man is a hero to his valet. I have often thought of the commissary department in Washington's institution, how they feed that army of fourteen hundred. But that's small talk; but people like to know the inside workings of institutions, and nations when they enjoy great reputations. Take Japan for instance; everybody is interested in the little nation of brownies that's tying down giant Russia. Everything about Japan is interesting just now. The most inspiring scene of Mr. Washington's school was in the Atlanta Constitution some months ago; it was the interior of the chapel filled with its cargo of precious lives that the Master and the workman are making ready for citizenship here and hereafter. Crowds, masses are always inspiring, the more so according as what they stand for. I said to Mr. Washington in writing him that by all means he should have sent the chapel scene to The Freeman as it stood for multitude. I am sure he did not understand me. I meant greatness, grandness, and that associated with goodness—immensity, the organ's deep diapason calling unto deep—the cavernous cave—the unbridled ocean's riot and tumult and its mighty keep—the thousand minaretted cathedrals, of Milan, of Venice—the thousand voiced choir, a sea of youthful, hopeful faces turned to the great central figure as the sunflowers to the sun, remembering the Creator in the youthful days.



PROF BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

My opinion of Mr. Washington? He is an extremely sensible man whose hat has not had to be enlarged over his success. What he knows would kill many colored men, but Washington is as cool as a cucumber. Every one knows Washington has money, and every one knows that he is not saying much about it. Is that the rule? Mr Washington is the apostle of industrial education; his success in his line has won him strong friends and strong enemies, and through them, through the enemies we are presented with a most spectacular spectacle, the unusual thing of viciously attacking a school of thought. Mr. Washington ought to get a patent on the good thing he has; he is the only man attacked; logically he should be the only one to possess.

But it is not his school of thought so much, but it is the eminence that comes to the individual through the school. I heard a professor say in speaking to a proposition that such a process of reasoning would prove us narrower than Joshua, who wanted the sun to stand still for his own nation's benefit. The case is reversed with Mr. Washington; they want his work to stop because another people think it is a good thing. It just so happened that a good thing and what the white people considered a good thing were identical. Many of the colored people think that when white people get to tumbling over what a colored individuals got a going you can just watch out. Mr. Washington seems to be caring for his end of the educational proposition, leaving it to others to care for their end. As to his political activity, that rests with him.

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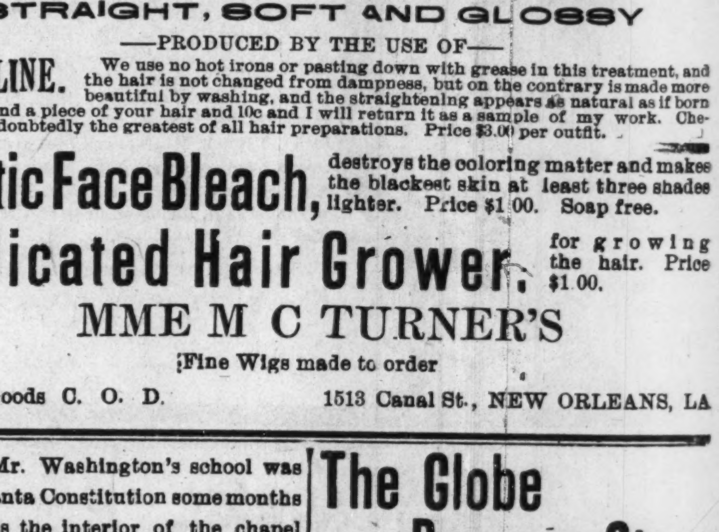

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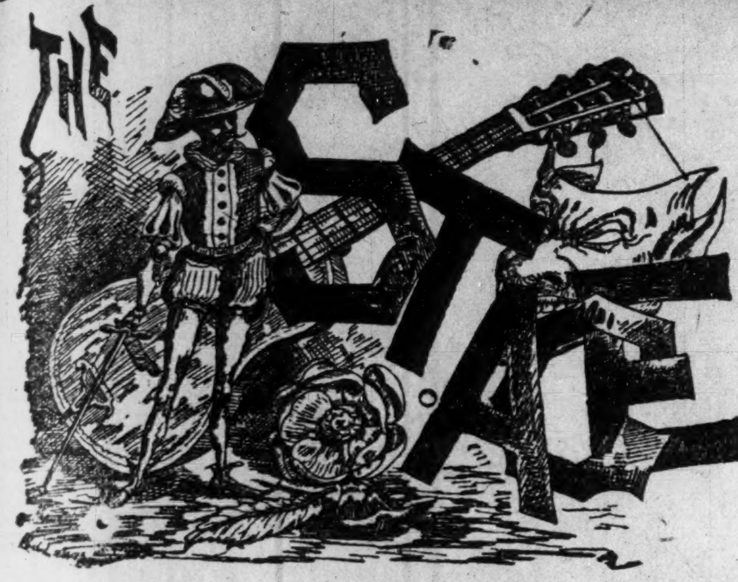

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RICHARDS & PRINGLE'S FAMOUS GEORGIA MINSTRELS (consolidated)—Seattle, Wash., week of March 6; Portland, Ore., week of the 13th.

BLACK PATTI TROUBADOURS, (Voelckel & Nolan) Sumter, S. C., March 7; Augussa, Ga., 8; Columbia, S. C. 9; Charlotte, N. C., 10; Charleston, S. C., 11; Waycross, Ga., 12.

A SMART SET—Buffalo, N. Y., week of March 6.

HARRY BROWN, CARTOONIST—Hub Theatre, Haverhill, Mass., week of March 6.

Tom Logan, why don't you answer my letter I addressed to you care the Blue Ribbon Theatre, Louisville Ky. P. H. C.

Frank Kirk, the original tramp musical acrobat is with Corril & Headen's Vaudeville Co He sends regards to Wm. H. Jones, Desdunes and Harris, L E Gideon and Friends. Harry Gilliam, how is black truth?

I would like to hear from Billy Johnson and wife Estelle of Gale. Johnson Team also John Green known as Pap Green, on very particular business wright G. Floyd McClain in care of FREEMAN or 415 Indiana Ave. Indianapolis Ind.

"Long Ago' by Robert J. De Cofield is a beautiful ballad which will prove a little treasure to music loving people. The composition is sentimental with a serious inclination, but with a catchy air, it ought to become popular—the authors address is Detroit, Michigan.

C. W. White the Genial Business Manager of the Smart Set called and was well pleased at the looks of things about the Freeman office. He let fall a few hints of something most wonderful in store for a big colored company in a new piece directed by Gus Hill notwithstanding that the Smart Set also will be seen again next season.

W. L. McMullen and wife, or the original Willie Green and Clorienda, are wintering in Montgomery, Ala., where they are having a good time with friends. Mr. McMullen was highly entertained by Mrs. Niclos, Wm. Woodley, John Thompson and others. He will open his own play "Midnight After Dark," and is expecting great success. He says he will take Momtgomery by storm, as he has some of the best local talent in the south with him.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Chenault, Jerry Mills, Walter Hilliard, Chas. B. Foster, W. H. Pierce, J. Ed Green, Gus Hall and John Bailey, members of the Smart Set Co., were Freeman callers this week. I acknowledge the reciept of an invitation to attend a grand birthday and Ping-Pong party, given in honor of Jack Lawrence, of Dayton, O., March 3rd. Chas. (Ned,) Hall formerly of Indianapolis, has charge of the affair. Miss Mattie Wade, of Guthrie, Okla., is coming to the front as a song writer.

"Wedded and Parted." a stirring play which leans heavily upon its love story, will be the opening bill at the Park next week, with Miss Virginia Thornton in the title role. Its motive is the deep hatred of one woman for another and the plots set on foot to disrupt a peaceful home. The scenic effects are particularly massive and striking in beauty, one of them showing the famous woman's prison at Auburn, N. Y.

On Friday afternoon will begin the engagement of "Why Girls Levae Home," a new melodrama, with its scenes about New York. It deals with unscrupulous efforts to lure a young girl from the straight path, the play being marked by cleaniness of thought. Miss Ellen Boyer heads the company and in the cast are Florence Weber, Walter Walker, Oscar Briggs and a dozen others,

P. B. R. Hendrix's Chicago Notes.—The Alhambra Theatre was considerably damaged by the fire that occurred on the Alhambra block last week. It is to bad that it did not burn down to the ground. Mme. Adelaine Patti, cancelled her engagement, that was to take place at the Auditorium last Monday evening, owing to advance not being very complimentary. The Hunn's who are playing at W. S. Cleveland's new Vandeville house, are the favorites of the bill. As entertainers, they are clever. They need no introduction to Chicago audiences, for they have a wide reputation. Mme. Pattie Brown, is above the average leading Chicago soprano singers. Not being satisfied with local honors, she is taking instructions, in one of our best musical conservatories in the city, and is aspiring to be the leading soprano vocalist, her race can afford. She deserves great credit for her ambition, and has the wishes of all for her success. Grundy and Wetherby, have one of the best, song and dance sketches on the stage. They both work hard together, and are a hit whenever, and wherever they appear. Their witicism is above the average, and their dancing great and graceful. What has becone of our New York correspondent, and of the various road shows. We would like to know what you are doing. As the Freeman has devoted one entire page, and sometimes more, to your interest, you ought to manifest enough encouragement to the Editor, by keeping it full of news each week. If you are asleep, awake at a sense of your duty. Mr. Knox is deeply interested in your advancement, and it is up to you, whether to be first class box attraction, or barrel house flies. Support the Freeman by subscribing for it, and advertising. Boys don't forget the new home Daddy has prepared for you, when you return at the close of the season. It is a beauty, that's all. State Street cars run right by the door, every five or ten minutes. This is one of the surprises I told you Daddy had in store, and if kind Providence will permit, he has many others. As you all have promised to bring him some kind of a souvanier of your trip, don't fail to keep your work. His heart and soul is deeply interested in your welfare, for the advancement of the Negro, as an actor and performer. His regards to the entire profession. Copies of the Freeman on sale every week.

Notes from the famous Billy Kersands Minstrel Co—With much regret we have at last completed our tour in Florida for this season, as it not only increased reciepts immensely, but augmented and beautified our trip so extensively that words are perfectly inadequate to fully express. At this writing all along the lines of trip in Florida we were greeted with tributes of honor and respect. Spreads, and outings, and presents of the Florida curiosities which are beautiful and quite numerous in that state. While in Jacksonsville, Fla. we renewed acquaintance with a lot of professional friends, and several of us were entertained by some society leaders there, with whom we had the pleasure of taka good old time sumptuous dinner. We also had the extreme pleasure of witnessing two excellent vaudevills on Sunday one at Highway Park in the afternoon, it being a lovely ride on the only electric line we have had the pleasure of riding, this line is owned and managed throughout by colored people conductors, motermen and all the way is colored even the shows are by colored talent. Another show was at Mason's Park in the evening, several of Mr. Pat Chapelles Co. who are laying off there for awhile, also looked after us to the best of their ability, after our evening performance we were invited to Mr. Baxter's Vaudville Theatre, where we were in time to enjoy the concluding act of their bill, from whence we adjourned to a banquet hall, where the tables fairly groaned with the delicacies of the season. It is unnecessary to say that we certainly enjoyed the menu, which by the way would have done justice to Sherry's or Delmonico's famous hosteieries. The repast was served by the following ladies and gentlemen;—Mesdames Kittie Brown, Pearl Woods, Virginia De Oar, Annie Jones and Agnes Powell, and Messrs Buddie Glenn, Prof. J. M. Robinson, Fred Bonney, Joseph Locust and Dan Robinson. The next grand toast and, the crowning efforts of the season was tendered us on the following date Fernandina Fla., where we were met upon arrival by Bobby Kemp the renowned singing comedian who at one time or other has traveled with nearly all of us. The inimitable Bob took part in our street parade, and also done a stunt in our first part. Mr. Kemp assisted by his wife is managing a vaudeville house there where where he has won the affections of the habitues of the place, not only by his stage work but, also by his gentlemanly deportment and geniality off the stage. Mrs. Kemp is an able helpmate and a thorough business woman. After our show we were banquetted by Mr. and Mrs Kemp, and the repast without exageration was one that the immortal epecurus or Lucullus might have envied after the wants of the inner man had been satisfied King Bacchus reigned supreme, and mid the fumes of Georgia Minstrel cigars (a special brand Bobby had made for us in Tampa, Fla.,) toasts were said and jests and speech-making were in order until the "wee-sma hours" when we were all to part. We left our best wishes for Bobby and his better half for their fufuture success.

"THE SMART SET"

(As reviewed by E. C. Knox.)

If the S. R. O. Sign stands for anything in Indianapolis at the Park Theatre it meant the Smart Set was above par. Gus Hills "Ebony Hued Stars," numbering forty-eight, opened a three nights' engagement at the Park Monday, February 29th to the capacity of the house. The ball of fun and amusement was started rolling by Miss Hattie Hopkins, who sang very beautifully "Lucinda," assisted by the male section of the chorus; by far the best ever heard in Indianapolis by any company. A wonderful basso is among them that is hardly describable "Chas. Foster" we learn is his name and a wonder in the singing line. John Bailey of the

Mr. J. Ed. Green, Stage Manager Smart Set Co.

Two Bailey's was in the title role of "Grafter Smooth" and the audience could hardly get enough of his singing of "Good bye Liza Jane." Mr. Bailey is new to us but worked his way into the hearts of the audience and showed his tact as a smooth grafter in the part of "Grafter Smooth" Lawerence Chenault as Lieutenant Mildew is a stylish actor-singer and was pleasing both in voice and dress. Mrs. Dewar was ably handled by Mrs. "Marion" Henry Smart comely young lady, who sang herself into favoriteism. There is little or no plot in the three act comedy presented bythe Smart Set, yet enough to give tone to numerous musical ensembles Tom McIntosh is chief in the comedy department. Mr. McIntosh seems to be funnier than ever and from the time he meets his friend "Cain" until he is introduced into Hawaiian society, he keeps his audience in a pleasant uproar as "G. W. Bullion" the three times millionaire. He leaves nothing undone to please. Harry Read is funny, besides he dious looking Willie He He Jerry Mills is the Didhekechum and made a decided hit in his dancing. The chorus is well trained and balanced to perfection. J. Ed Green, who succeeded Billy McClain as the stage manager and producer, played the part of Planter Cain, and proved himself equal to the part The Bronze Chesterfield as he is commonly called, has been seen in Indianapolis in numerous roles in different companies, but he seemed more at home as the Rich Plantation owner. Creditable solo's were rendered by the Misses Mamie Emerson, Hattie Hopkins and Marion Smart; and the Messers Bailey, Chenault and Green. Gus Hall our own, home boy lumed up as a arclight to the big audiences and murmers of that's "Gus" over there etc were heard throughout the thickly peopled theatre Gus essayed the role of Lord High initiator of the Royal Roosters, and plays, sings and looks the part. The choura of young ladies has among their number Pearl Turner also an Indianapolis product. The company is nicely costumed, and the general management of the stage in groupings scenery, and every detail shows that an effort has been made to please the public The Smart Set is in for big audiences during the entire engagement which closes Wednesday night.

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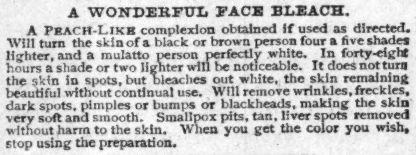
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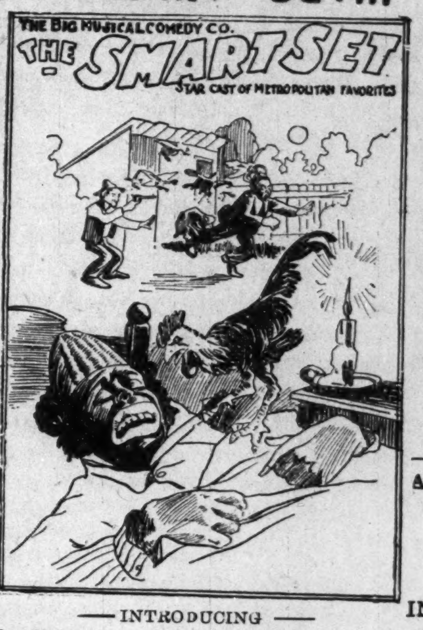
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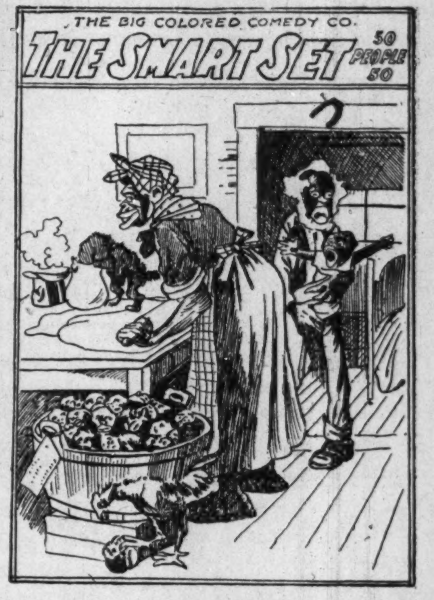

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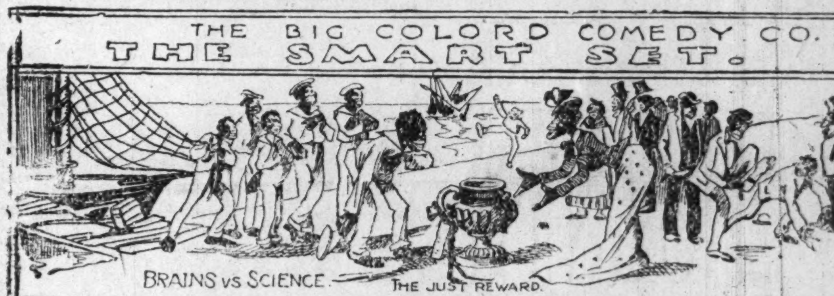
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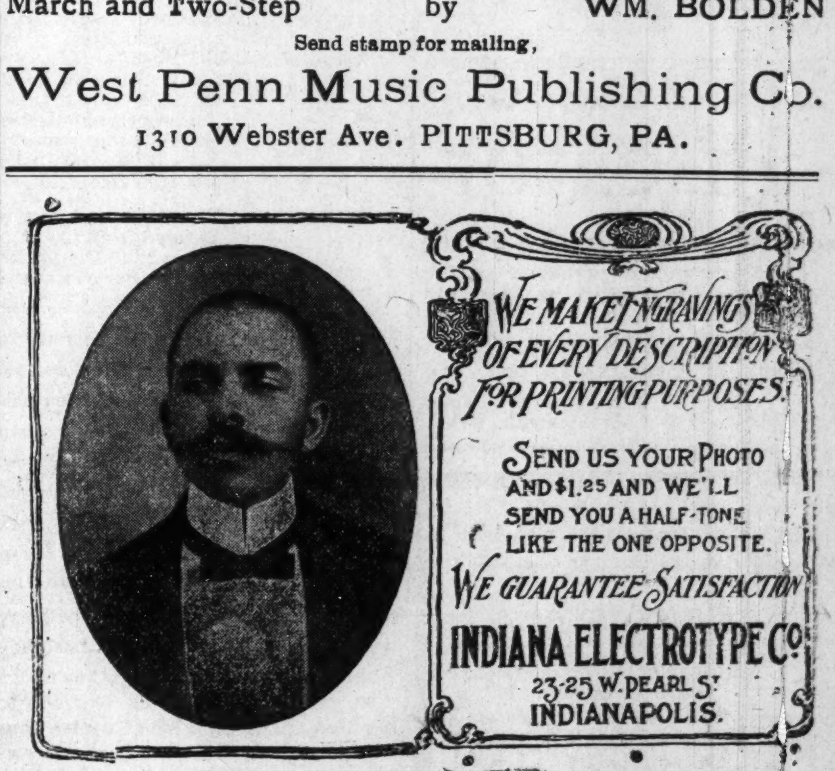
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An era of good feeling between the erstwhile contending factions of the A. M. E. Church has dawned. The bishops met in council at Mobile, Ala., February 4, considered the many and grave questions relating to the welfare of the connection, and departed with a solid front and a united heart. It was only the seeming divisions on the "bench" that made possible factions and contentions on the floor. When the bishops stand as a unit the entire church, clergy and laity show loyalty and obedience without murmer. Until a few days ago it was believed by many that certain bishops were secretly encouraging those who—in order to make room for certain aspirants—were scheming to retire several of the older bishops from active service The action of the bishops council shows how erroneous was this belief, and also shows that the bishops respect one another and have confidence in one another and are going to stand together. This is welcome news, and off goes every hat and bowed is every head. The pictures of the disasterous mob rule at the next general conference have vanished and all can indulge hopes of a session characterized by reason. moderation and lofty purpose.

To a man, the bishops say that there is no present need of electing any more bishops for the home work. Every one in his heart has felt this way all of the time and it has only been due to the adroit work of aspirants that the shouting to retire some of the bishops and make a place for certain bold and ambitious schemers was possible. This charge cannot be laid at the door of all aspirants and now that the waves of contention have sunk in the ocean of peace, the dangerous rocks stand out in plain view. It is true that the money raised this quadrennium will be more than was raised during the last four years, but it does not follow that the best use to which to put this increase of money is in paying salaries to men who are not needed. The demands of the work started in South Africa will call for even more money than we can hope to raise in excess of present needs. That there must be a well equipped school for the training of ministers here at home is now so clear that none can deny it. The desperate straights to which our bishops and general officers were driven to be able to reach Mobile without suffering the indignities of the "jim crow car" awakens everyone to the need of dropping small contentions and getting together in grim earnestness. With forced seggregation must come quick and willing consolidation and co-operation.

There is no longer any disguise about the purpose of many white people concerning the status of the Negro. The latent love of justice in the breasts of the white people of this country is powerful enough, if aroused, to stay the mad purpose of the hour. From whence will come the trumphet call that will awaken the American people to arise in their might and shackle the cold hands of murderous caste prejudice? Shall our rights be tamely surrendered? At the forefront of the race stands the A. M. E. Church, and upon her bishops has the first measure of this final act in the tragedy of race murder been applied. While respected are the bishops of the A. M. E. Church, respected will be the rights of the race.

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Since recording the paragraph in reference to the interview of Dr. Washington and Secretary Talbert with Mr. Carnegie relative to a library, Wilberforce University is pleased to report its grant, as the following telegram of congratulations to President Jones will show:

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Dr. Johnson, eighteen months ago, called the attention of the trustees to the fact that Mr. Washington was engaged in an effort to secure a library for the school, and the assurance will now be recalled with grateful interest Secretary Talbert and President Jones are also to be congratulated for the labors and interest in the premises.—The (Philadelphia) Christian Recorder.

Educational Notes.

LINCOLN NOTES, JEFFERSON CITY MO.

The faculty and students enjoyed a half holiday on Washington's birthday, and in the evening appropriate exercises commemorative of "the day we celebrate" were held. President Allen has received the badges to be awarded to pupils who secure by patient study first, second or third honors, or honorable mention for the month and for the term. This arrangement has proved quite a successful incentive to study. Each student in the Junior Normal is required to prepare a thesis on some important subject of general history before the close of the second term when the study is laid aside and a great amount of reading and research for facts and rare illustrations is being done along this line. As a fitting close of the revival services that have been in progress for several weeks, during which time numbers of students have been converted. President Allen conducted the Sunday afternoon service February 21, and delivered a most excellent discourse on "The Power or Efficacy of Prayer," pointed with apt illustrations and full of religious ferver of a quiet nature. It was highly appreciated by all present.

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NORMAL, ALA., NOTES.

Bishop Evans Tyree will preach the baccalaureate sermon at the Agricultural and Mechanical College commencement 29th. Mrs. R. P. Johnson, of Birmingham, in company with Mrs. Milton Humes, visited Normal last week. Mrs. Humes made a very acceptable talk in reference to the "Black Mammy of the South." Mrs. Johnson has done much to uplift the criminal masses and to send happiness into the prison life of Alabama. She is the founder of the white boy's reform school at Birmingham. She is encouraging a similar work for the Negro boys. She is also the state representative of the Mt. Vernon Association. Her lecture to the school was beautiful and exalting. All were deeply effected by it.

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Miss Hallie Q. Brown, National Superintendent of the Department of Professional Women's Clubs of the National Association of Colored Woman, and Mrs. Lucy Thurman, chairman of the Ways and Means Committee of the same organization will be at Lincoln Institute next week; the former to give a concert or recital and the latter to give a series of lectures.

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Turner Theological Seminary of Morris Brown College, Atlanta, Ga., announces its spring lecture course March 3 to the 31. Revs. Wm. Byrd, D. D., W. A. Fountain, Ph. D, S. T. B., W. G. Alexander, D. D., W. H. Heard, D. D, and P. James Bryant, D. D., are among the instructors.

WORLD'S FAIR NEWS NOTES

Secretary Grant Thomas of the Wisconsin Fair Commission, estimates that 80,000 Wolverines will attend the World's Fair this year.

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Even with the four miles of standard gauge railroad tracks laid in the Palace of Transportation at the World's Fair, the immense floor space was not nearly exhausted.

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Three acres are devoted to the display of pure foods at the World's Fair. The exhibit is in the Palace of Agriculture and is in charge of Paul Pierce.

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Twenty woodmen from Maine are "raising" the mammoth log cabin that will be the Pine Tree state's pavillion at the World's Fair. The site is in a thickly wooded section and the Maine loggers appear thoroughly at home.

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Separate quarters, will be provided in the Indian reservation for Geronimo and Chief Joseph, the two most noted Indian chiefs now alive. Both have led warriors against the United States, and both are actually prisoners, but are accorded much freedom.

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Mrs. Mary Baker G. Eddy, founder of the present day Christian Science, has contributed $1,000 to the fund raised by popular subscription to enable New Hampshire to be adequately represented at the World's Fair.

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The first order for the new Louisiana Purchase Exposition stamps calls for the printing of 90,000,000 one-cent stamps bearing the portrait of Rober H. Livingston, and 225,000,000 two-cent stamps bearing Thomas Jefferson's portrait. The stamps will be placed on sale at every United States postoffice on May 1st.

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The builders have finished their work Connecticut's building at the World's Fair, and the furnishings are being installed. The building is a replica of the Sigourney mansion at Hartford. The main entrance was removed bodily from the original structure and installed in the World's Fair reproduction.

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The completion of the largest pipe organ ever built has been announced. It is a special exhibit for the World's Fair and occupies a large room specially built to contain it in the Festival Hall. The organ has 145 stops. There are 10,000 pipes, some of which are five feet square.

Notes of Interest.

Eufaula, I. T., Special.—John Galaway and Charles Nero died Sunday night. They both died in the full triumph of faith. They leave a host of friends to mourn with the widows and relatives.—The C. E.'s will render a program next Sunday.—The P. L. Club will give a banquet next Tuesday night. Judge Robert Johnson will be the speaker on the occasion. Dr. E L. Ezell will be installed as president and Mrs Sallie Teal will read an essay: "Woman's Rights."—Prof A. C. Mc Neal will move to Wilberton soon.—Mrs. Emma Tucker, Mrs. M. L. Barclay and Mrs. Mary McNeal are on the sick list.—Rev. John Auston preached at Dickerson Chapel Sunday.—The Freeman is looked for with eagerness.

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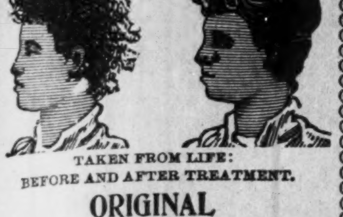

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POEMS AND PROSE.

By Sylvester Russell.

Mme Cynthia Moses Barnes, a Boston elocutionist, recently had an odd tilt with me regarding the word "fac-simile." Consultation with two students of Exeter College, whom I met while filling a date at Exeter, N. H., resulted in us both being wrong. For the sake of Mrs. Barnes and our circle of friends in Boston, including outsiders, I have decided the argument to suit myself. In my efforts to rob the other colored poets (I am not a poet) and scale the heights of "Dunbar" (I am not a dialect poet) you will find submitted below, two poems and a prose.

—About Fac-Simile.—

The fac-similar
Or the fac-simile
Or the facts in the case, you see,
Are the very plain things
Which argument brings
To smart learn't folks like we.

The fac-smile, I said,
Often used in its stead,
In place of the fac-simile;
Would sound just as good,
And well understood,
By men of high degree.

The fact is right here
"The very idea"
The argument she put to me;
That she knew things best—
Now just guess the rest—
About fac-simile.

Miss fac-similar
Had an awful jar
When she found the real word to be;
Not sim'lar at all,
I'll excuse her gall,
Interrogating me!

—Hogan's Dream.—

He dreampt a dream
Did Ernest Hogan;
(Not Thomas Logan)
He'd make them scream!

But since, instead,
What a dilemma!
His vaudeville drama
Was chewing on bread.

And wasn't it mean;
No frame nor fixture
For Hogan's picture—
"The final scene."

He sleeps so tight,
With day-light breaking,
He'll soon be waking,
To see the light.

With clear blue sky,
He learns quite quickly—
(His wife's not sickly?)
Sweet dream—good-bye.

—The Winning Woman.—

No matter how little she knows;
If she can talk good,
She takes the cake.

No matter how much she thinks;
Just let her tongue run—
You lose—she wins.

No matter how smart she is;
Wait to hear her cry,
And then give up.

No matter how much she loves;
Do not make her mad,
If so, skin out!

No matter how sweet she sings;
Never cross her path,
Or else she'll shoot!

No matter how fair she looks;
In case of jealousy;
Pack up and leave!

COTTER'S BOOK DRAMA.

By Sylvester Russell.

"Caleb, the Degenerate," a Negro play in four acts, by Joseph S. Cotter, in book form, has been submitted to me for perusal. I have no particular desire to either praise or criticise men who write plays in book form. But we must also remember that these plays will be read for years to come.

For my part, I do not even care to review them. To review these kind of plays means humiliation to the author, if his work is found to be unworthy of merit. I am simply reviewing these works for the benefit of younk actors and men who have playwright inspirations. After perusal, it is plain to see that Mr. Cotter's drama is a short dialogue story without action. Blank verse and somber sayings go hand in hand together.

Before you have properly digested the meaning of one sentence the story changes, leaving you nothing to be remembered but one sweet dream of literature, language and learning. He has written different parts of his dialogue to realize the dreams of his own imagination instead of trying to convey his dread story ,and its gloomy understanding, to the mind of his readers. Mr. Cotter is an educated man. His literature is perfection and his language is scholarly. His philosophy is too deep, too stern and too scientific to command attention from anybody short of a crank. He has fallen short of his own expectations and the fondest dreams of his hopeful career may never be cherished. It seems a pity that Mr. Cotter did not choose to write a picture story or a poem of passion, as he is better adapted to this branch than playwrighting. He mentions in his preface that his play had been in course of construction for some years. Perhaps this is one good reason why it is bereft of common sense.

Just one scene of this play seen on the stage would spoil your appetite. When one's appetite gets spoiled, you care less what's coming as a play moves on.

He speaks of death continually. It's horried to be reminded of dying and to hear about an undertaker for two long hours without a single death or climax. Every lengthy verse in his dialogue is of a sick chamber order. "Caleb" is a very gloomy book, indeed. If you are subject to the "blues" don't read it. If you are a lover of serious dramas, don't read after Cotter, if you do you will have fits.

Every scene is a morbid tale of woe or a song of dying humanity, too painful to hear about, much less to be seen on the stage.

As for dramatic value, there is nothing emotional in the book; nothing even worthy of a Sunday School drama. This fellow "Caleb"—the degenerate—is not the fellow in character and verse that Mr. Cotter intended him to be. He's a stupid, stilted wall-flower, just like the rest of the characters and has no abiding place in the book or drama except to butt in and echo forth empty tales of vice from an author-crank who failed to write a story.

This review is the beginning of the end of crankydom. We have had it in comedy. We have had it in drama. We have had it in the production of mixed opera. Now Cotter comes forth and gives us a play in book-form—which must live forever, and live without classification.

Mr. Cotter calls his book a play, but he fails to let us know whether it is a drama or a tragedy. For my part, I should not call it much of anything and as Mr. Cotter, homself, has failed to classify it, we are compelled to put it down as "nothing."

The story of "Caleb" brings us sad recollections of William Hallback's drama. The difference between the two men is that Mr. Hallbach is an uneducated intelligent actor and Mr. Cotter is an educated crank. He may be a good school teacher at that, but Mr. Hallbach, without education and with a smaller book has come nearer being understood than Mr. Cotter. One lives by teaching school and the other by natural gifts as an actor—two unusual figureheads in the arena of stage philosophy. Let us conclude by one of two quotations from Mr. Cotter's drama. One page 13—a most unlucky page—Caleb speaks thus: "He was too human to kill a chinch which circled his neck time and again and ended on the tip of his nose, before the whole congregation."

Mr. Cotter's writing may seem all right, but how would it sound in a drama? It would require a magnificent pair of eyes to discover a bed bug on the tip end of the red nose of a drunken degenerate.

One verse from Olivia, the leading lady, and then we shall be through. Olivia recites:

"Chance threw me with a group of millionaires. I doubted, fretted, feared. At last I spoke. The speech was short and simple. See the checks?"

This shows that Mr. Cotter's efforts to give a moral story of a degenerate man caused him to err and make his leading lady one of questionable character. What an object-lesson has been meted out to the young student playwright aspirants!

The judgment of the critic; the criticism of the book-drama and the mistakes of its author, are all emblematic teachings for their future guidance.

That Joseph S. Cotter, truly a man of excellent scholarship, should have attempted a drama without any knowledge of stage traditions, seems a pity.

Reading and reviewing such book-plays as Cotter and Hallbach's dramas is a waste of time. The next Negro play that comes before my notice in book form threatens to go into the waste-basket.

Mobile News Items.

Mobile, Ala., Special.—J. W. Floyd, formerly headwaiter of the Battle House, was in the city last week. Mr. Floyd is living in Selma, Ala., now running a business of his own. Miss Minnie Mapps of Chicago, Ill., is spending a few days in Mobile with her sister, Mrs. Ella Howard, 110 Chestnut street, also Mrs. Brewer of Columbus, Ga. The Waiter's Union and the Royal Swells, the two leading organizations in the ball circles, broke all past records with the balls they gave on Mardi Gras night. Misses Mamie Chrisp, Sallie Banks, Susan Johnson and Dora Wylie served refreshments for the cooks and waiters. Hon. A. N. John, editor of the Press, is being strongly endorsed for delegate from the State at large to the National Convention.

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Henderson, Ky., Special.—The minstrel, to be given by Hector Lodge No. 2, P of P, next Monday night will be a howling success.—The Ladies' Millinery Club met at Mrs. E. H. Brown's last week preparatory to opening a place of buiness, and incidently to discuss Easter creations.—Henry Watkins was married to Miss Alberta Bibbs at the residence of Mrs. Richard Marshall's last Wednesday evening. The bride was one of our most beautiful young ladies. They are at home to their friends in a beautiful cottage on Ingram street, a gift of the groom.—Wm. Nelson, one of our successful grocerymen, was the victim of an attack of grip for several days recently.—C. M. Cabell, our popular undertaker, is on the sick list.—The Odd Fellows and K. of P., lodges are planning to erect a hall in the near future. A much needed convenience.—The local chapter of the Order of Eastern Star, held a reception Tuesday night in honor of their Grand Matron, Mrs. Dunlap, of Earlington.—Mr. H. E. Hall, who is with a prominent insurance company, of Louisville, is here this week shaking hands with his friends.—There is a great amount of sickness among our people now, which keeps all the colored doctors busy.—Mrs. Mary E. Magowan, of Mt. Sterling, the Grand Worthy Counselor of the Independent Order of Calanthe, will pay Corinthian Court an official visit next month.—Secure a copy of The Freeman every Saturday from Hilton Hancock.

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Advice. The great Medium and Fortune Teller, who was born in Richmond, Va., was called to Dallas, Texas, by special request to settle a law suit. The matter was settled in three days' time. The parties who sought him got twenty-five Thousand Dollars; now the whole town sings his praise. Everybody is wondering at such a marvelous man. He breaks up conjuration ashe goes; he is the greatest man of his profession that ever traveled the Southern states. He gives advice on Bounties, Pensions, Law suits, Marriages, Speculation, Love affairs, Gambling, Hidden Treasures. Separations, etc. Dr. Robertson has had twenty years of experience in business His mother and father are the seventh children and he is their seventh son, born with a gift that no one can equal. He has given light to thousands of homes. He laid in a dead trance at the graveyard for three days. He tells things that happened seventy-five years before his birth; he gives you a Lucky Charm to last you forever; he gives you the number of your lucky days and works for white and colored. When he was eight years and ten months old he took a ship and sailed from the Northern to the Southern states then went to school at Jefferson college, in Natchez, Miss. On his return from school he performed in a dark room for three years; now he is the king of spiritualists He is assisted by four other Mediums, and his parlors are always crowded. He has caused the crippled to throw their crutches away after being afflicted and blind for years. He is the star of the whipping post. He does not believe in robbing the poor.

Many convicted to be hanged and to the pen for life have been pardoned in a short time by this gifted Medium. Many women and men who could not live in their homes on account of their disagreeable husbands and wives have returned and now are doing well. Many young ladies and gents who have been led astray on account of the devil's work, are now better than ever. Many who have spent all their money going into business and have lost on account of evil work, have gained it back and are now happy and have a great trade. Many who pretended to be great friends to you in a deceitful way, Dr. Robertson has found them evil. Many who fought for justice, such as property, divorces, etc., and lost, have gained their rights by this great Medium power. Many mediums, spiritualists, fortune tellers, etc., who have taken money from them and did no good, are now receiving justice and their devil's work is being broken up. Many who have sprinkled powder, burned candles and buried bundles against you have no more power. Dr. Robertson breaks up conjurations as he goes. Many who were about to die from spells, old sores, poison, witchcraft and conjuration were saved by this mighty healer Many who have carried news against you to cause trouble have stopped and can not carry any more. Many who got between a happy family have got on their knees and begged pardon by this gifted man's power Many men who have left their homes naked and many women who forsook their husbands have reformed and are now happy. Dr. Robertson's works were brought from Richmond, Va Many who tried to save money and spent every dime that they made have now a large bank account and property. Dr. Robertson chains down your enemies so that they will never reach you in life. He sleeps in his dark room in a dead trance and looks into your pathway as if it were made of glass and catches what is for your good or bad and seals it up on his spiritual table and sends it by mail He unlocks your door of wealth, happiness and peace. The spirit of God guides him. See him now and your troubles will end; it was proven at the Spiritual Hall No 321, Camp Street, Jan. 6th, 1904 that only five men in the world could do the work that he does and no women.

TESTIMONIALS.

To whom it may concern: This is to certify that Dr. Robertson is true I was in my bed afflicted for months could not raise up my hand until I heard of Dr Robertson. I sent for him immediately. He came to my home and told me what was the matter, also cured me sound with his spiritual power. I am excited from gladness. Rev. O. F. Clinton, Jackson, Miss.

To the public in general: Allow me to express what Dr. H. W. Robertson has done for me. I was sick for five pears and my husband was nearly crazy from a spell that he had for fifteen years and we could not succeed in anything until I tried this gifted medium and he removed the spells and sickness entirely; now we are happy indeed. We would like to have him to live in our city. Very respectfully, Mrs. I. V. Norman, No 1123 Tchoupitoulas street, New Orleans La

Dear Friends: This is to certify that Dr. Henrygoldsea W. Robertson can help the needy. My husband was so cross when he would come to the house I could not stay inside He kept drunk for years, but after a friend of mine advised me to see Doctor Robertson I took her advice and to-day we have our own home and a large farm. He is a powerful man. Levy Myles, Vickburg, Miss.

Dr. H. W. Robertson: Dear Friend—I received the last medicine that you sent me and after using it three days I felt as a new woman; all swelling left and the other matter is settled. I am, yours truly, J. J. Holland Mobile, Ala.

This is to certify that Dr. Robertson is great. I had been fighting for my bounties so long until I thought there was no hope, but after reading of his wonders, I gave him a trial and I got my money and have settled up all debts and are in a pretty cottage of my own. May God bless him forever. D. H. Hunt, Chicago, Ill.

Dr. H. W. Robertson: Dear Sir—Allow me to thank you for your kindness. I have gained my property back and the woman who caused the trouble between my husband and I have left the town and he is now better than ever. You will always have my best wishes for success. Mrs. L. E. Jackson, Beaumont, Texas.

Dear Dr Robertson: Only a few words to thank you kindly for what you did for me The parties who stole my clothes and jewelry brought them back and put them at my gate It is a talk for the town. You are true in your works. Respectfully, G. Cinclare, Raleigh, North Carolina.

Dr. Robertson: Dear Sir—After you removed the evil spirits from our home and gave us the lucky charm, we succeeded in getting the hidden treasure. Now we are leaving to live in another state and will always picture you in our memory. From R. A. and H. Penn, Omaha, Nebraska.

Dear Friends: This is to certify that Dr. Robertson is true in what he says. I have lost my job for three months, did not have money to support my wife and family after consulting Dr. Robertson and he told me that witchcraft was the cause and worked his spiritual power for me. I am now doing well and have more work than I can really do. Also I and my friends have got him to decide to live in our city. I am yours respectfully, M. R. Hills, Dallas, Texas.

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CITY AND SOCIETY BRIEFS.

W. A. Kersey is ill.

Mr. Edward Gailard is improved at this writing.

Miss Ida Groves is quite ill with typhoid fever.

J. D. Howard is in Peoria, Ill., in the interest of The Freeman.

Mr. Geo. W. Blackburn, of Chicago, was among friends here this week.

Mr. and Mrs Alpha Bushon are now domiciled at 715 N. Senate avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Allen have removed to 715 North California street.

The Zenda Club will dance every other Thursday night after March 10.

Mrs Duerson of the Planet Hotel is slowly recovering from a severe illness.

Prof. R. B. Shelton is rapidly recovering from the effects of a recent operation.

Mrs. Alice Scott and Miss Lizzie Downs of Lebanon, Ind., are in the city this week.

The aged mother of Mrs. J. W. Barbee, 524 Scioto St , has been ill for the past week.

Miss Susie Bushon, of Paris, Ill., is the guest of her brother, Alpha, 715 N. Senate avenue.

The Woman's Club met with Mrs. Tillman Long, 374 W. Fourteenth St., Monday afternoon.

Mr. Kersey is able to be out again after being confined to the house for a week with la grippe.

The Helping Hand Club was entertained Thursday evening by Mrs. Julia Barber, 1102 E. 13th street.

Misses Florence Mitchell and Jeannette Laster of the "Smart Set" were callers at The Freeman office Tuesday.

Mr. Chas. Biles, a much repected young man who died at his residence, 327 Indiana Ave., was buried Wednesday.

Miss Mary A. Caldwell of Lexington, Ky., and Mrs. Wilson of Springfield, O., were in the city last week en route to Chicago.

Mr. Furnis has returned from New York, where he visited his mother, who after a severe illness, is improved at this writing.

The American Union Worker's Club will give a concert at Mount Pilgrim church Friday night, March 11. Friends are invited to attend.

A Leap Year social will be given at Rays' Hall, North Indianapolis, Tuesday evening, March 8th, for the benefit of Campbell's chapel.

Rev. J. C. Patton lectured Friday evening to the Missionary Society on the subject of "The Outlook of Mission Work in the 20th Century.

The Y. P. A. of Bethel church will give an old fashion Spelling Bee, and social at the residence of Mrs. Ella Palmer Wednesday evening, March 9.

The "Night Owl Pleasure Club" was entertained Thursday evening by Mr. John House at the residence of Miss Mary E. Johnson, 419 W. 14th street.

The third Lenten service of St. Philips' Episcopal Mission was held Tuesday evening at the residence of Mrs Adeline Rudd, 19th and Alvord ssreets.

Madam Jordan the millener a graduate of, Gartland College, of Phild , is meeting with success, with three large classes. There is a few vacancies for others.

The Halcyon Literary Club postponed its regular meeting on account of the Y. M. C A. oratorical contest to meet with Miss Luella Price in Agnes street. Homer Johnston, president; Mabel Roper, secretary.

The oratorical contest at Bethel church, under the auspices of the Y. M. C. A , Friday night, was a complete success in every respect. Much credit is due to teachers, students and Ladies' Auxiliary for the manner in which the affair was handled; details next issue.

Wm. H. Taylor, an old and respected citizen and a member of Martin R. Delany Post G. A. R., died last Thursday at the Marion Soldiers' Home. Mr. Taylor was a Mason of high rank. He leaves to mourn his loss his faithful wife and family and a host of friends

The Native South African choir, composed of genuine Africans is undoubtedly the best organization of the kind They sing good music, tell you all about the uncivilized natives, the witch docters and wedding ceremonies at Bethel A. M. E. Church March 10th, 1903. Admission 25 cents.

The Race Club; which was organized a short while ago, is progresssing rapidly. The members are becoming enthused in the work, and are looking forward to a greater work. The Club meets on Monday night of each week. Officers, Mr. Murry Davidson President, Mr. Edward Pelley, V. Pres., Mr. Harrison Dawson, financial secretary and Mr. Geo. Ashworth, Treasurer.

The "Smart Set," with the possible exception of Williams' and Walkers' Show, the most creditable Negro aggregation "on the road," played a three days engagement at the "Park," this week. The enthusiastic Theatre going public shows their appreciation by giving "S. R. O " attendance at each performance. The Smart Sets next engagement is Columbus, O.

The annual ball of Damon Company No. 1, Uniform Rank, K. of P., at Cleveland Hall, last Tuesday night, was one of the "swellest" affairs of the season. The grand march, led by Col J. H Ringgold with a full company and their ladies, was the principal feature of the evening. The refreshments were served by the Calanthe Court. Music was furnished by the Excelsior orchestra

Subject to be illustrated Sunday evening at Allen Chapel "The Holly Land," by Rev. H. E. Stewart Pastor — This sermon will be illustrated by about 60 Photographis views showing the present appearance of sites associated with sacred history. The Stereopticons will show these views life size, thus making the scenes realistic and natural this opportunity may never come to the christians, amony the colored people of Indianapolis, to see these historic places as they stand today all lovers of the Bible and especially Sunday School workers should take advantage of this sermon next Sunday night.

Y. M. C. A. Notes.

At the Second Baptist Church last Sunday the first of a series of public meetings was held for the purpose of putting before the people of our city, the great need of the Y. M. C. A. and its benefits to our young men. Many were in attendance, and listened with interest to the addresses given by Mr. B. C. Day and Mr. J. E. Moorland. Each spoke along the line of association work and its advantages. It is hoped that each and every one interested in this work will attend these meetings. The meeting Sunday will be held at Blackfoot Street A. M. E. Zion church.

ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Hours of service:—Sunday, 10:45 a. m., preaching; 12 m., class; 2 p. m., Sunday School; 7:30 p. m , preaching; class Tuesday night; prayer meeting Thursday night; teacher's meeting Friday night. Rev. H. E. Stewart, pastor, residence 1501 Cornell ave.

The first Sunday night of each month Rev. H E Stewart, will give an illustrated sermon of some important subject. The Holy land is the first.

METROPOLITAN BAPTIST NOTES.

422 North Senate avenue, Rev. T. W. Lott, pastor; Sunday School 10 a. m; Bible class 7 to 8 p. m.; preaching 11 a. m., and 8 p. m.; prayer meeting Thursday evening 7:30 to 9 p. m.

The Mitten Social last Friday night was a brilliant success, for which we thank the public. The ladies of the Metropolitan church are artists in the artistic manipulation of culinary affairs, and purpose, one by one, to display their taste in a projected series of socials, Mrs. J. B. Johnson, leading off on the evening of March the 18th with a Social-fete, which will cost 25c. to sample.

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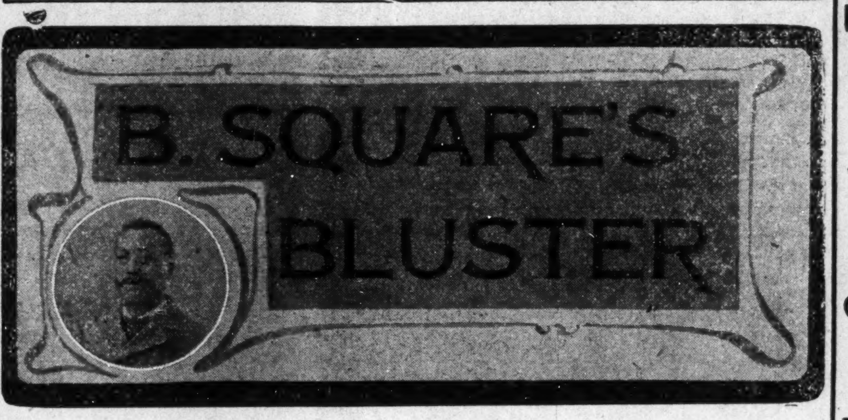

The song, "The Girl I Left Behind Me," is immortal. It will live forever; in ages hence by Americans, of all creeds, color or previous conditions, yet unborn, it will be sung upon the streets and played by fife and drum when our youths of the future are going to war to fight for the stars and stripes.

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It was just forty-four years ago when I first heard the song sung. It was at a reunion of the Brooklyn and New York veterans of the war of 1812 (so my father told me years after the date). I was then six years old.

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We, at that time, lived in the village of Maspeth, six miles east of Brooklyn. Near our house was a grove. One Sunday noon the stages running between Newtown (a village above) and Brooklyn deposited before our door, in front of a lane leading to the grove, hundreds of gray haired old men who, to the music of fife and drum, hobbled in twos to the grove. My father (who was a patriotic man) called me, took my hand and followed. We entered the grove where there were lots of women and children. Every one seemed to be upon pleasure bent. I soon scraped the acquaintance of two boys my age and we had a good time at six year old boyish plays.

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At last a big gong sounded and every one was told to take a seat. There were papers read and speeches made, all of which I did not understand, then a girl (I should now judge from memory) about fourteen, dressed in white, came forward on the platform and warbelled "The Girl I Left Behind Me." I distinctly remember to this day that I thought in my childish mind that it was some little girl who had been left at home (perhaps because she was naughty) and not allowed to come to the picnic (as thought the gathering was). My sympathy went out for the poor little girl left behind.

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I was a nine year old Brooklyn school boy when I heard the song again. It was when our local "boys in blue" were going to the civil war. I knew the words and meaning of the song then. I have often heard it since at parades and reunions of the G A. R. When the young men went to the Spanish-American war the bands played the same old song, "The Girl I Left Behind Me."

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"Tramp, Tramp, Tramp, the Boys are Marching" and "Mother, is the Battle Over" were favorite war songs of the civil war, "Just as the Sun Went Down" was a favorite of the Spanish-American war, but "The Girl I Left Behind Me" will live for ages hence.

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Speaking of girls left behind reminds me of last summer. It was a very hot day. It was the morning of the Bridge Street (Brooklyn) A. M. E. Church excursion down the bay. The boat was advertised to leave the dock at half-past nine sharp, but the good deacons and laymen who were running the excursion were not doing it for their health, neither simply to give their patrons a good time and a cool sail down the bay, hence, when the clock struck ten the boat did not have steam up, and there were no signs of starting. Hundreds of "upper ten" and scores of "lower five" people of color of the late city of churches flocked to the boat.

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The boat's pier was situated at the end of a "blind" street one block (or square) long of about five hundred feet One of the church deacons stood at the end of the pier and looked up the street. When he saw a crowd turn the corner and rush down the street he yelled to the captain, who was getting ready to steam out, to "hold on." This continued until twenty minutes after eleven.

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Standing on the pier were about one hundred people, divided into two classes. Class first consisted of people who had come down to see friends off. (I was in this section of the class; I had two daughters on the boat), and people in the hope that some good friend would ask them aboard the boat. The second class consisted of young loafers—half of whom were white.

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At twenty minutes past eleven. when all the moorings besides one wife had been thrown off and the boat was turning her head around to go down the bay, three women, one very fat—weighing about two hundred pounds—turned the corner. The loafers yelled "hurry up" and the women started on a dead, or least a live run, the two thin ones in the lead and the fat one a close second. "Hurry up" repeated the boys, and the women rushed on. The fat woman fell spilling half the contents of her lunch basket upon the sidewalk. As they reach the pier, more dead than alive, the boat shot out into the stream and the "girls" were left behind.

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They say the fat one was a Sunday-school teacher of the said church. If so the names she called the jeering loafers were not learned at the Bridge Street A. M. E. Sunday-school.

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THINGS THAT CANNOT BE EXPLAINED.

Why we do not practice what we preach? Why the gentry of the cloth of the A. M. E. church use common ward political methods when electing bishops and other high officials? Why 'Teddy" will not succeed himself as President of the United States? Why any sane Negro in the States of New York, Ohio, Indiana or Illinois should vote the National Democratic ticket this fall?

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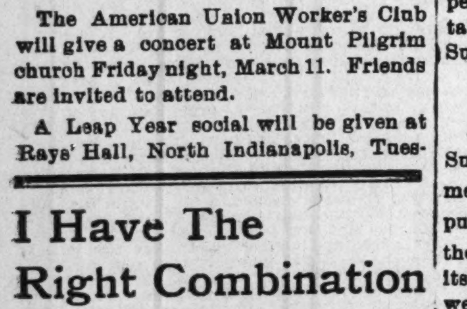

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